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Leaving downtown T.O. 'next option' for young homebuyers

May Warren
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When it came time to purchase her dream home, Liana Acri decided not to go for the stereotypical suburban backyard or the sky high box in the city.

Instead, a 620-square-foot, fifth-floor one-bedroom condo in Vaughan was the perfect fit for the 30-year-old.

It was close enough to her job in Etobicoke, and, at around $250,000, just the right price.

"I have friends that are in the housing market and they definitely have their hearts set on a house.... It's scary what the prices are," she said. "Depending on what their ideal location is compared to budget and value for your money, it's hard, you don't find a perfect trifecta."

Acri is one of a growing number of people turning to the 905's condo market as units downtown get harder to find and prices continue to climb.

According to stats from real estate market research firm Urbanation, sales of new condo apartments in the region, which includes cities like Mississauga, Vaughan and Brampton, reached a record level of 2,112 units in the first quarter of 2016, more than double the number from that time last year.

Senior vice-president Shaun Hildebrand anticipates the trend will only continue, calling the 905 condo market "as hot as it's ever been."

He estimates 905 condos cost about $100,000 less than downtown Toronto ones, and about $500,000 less than single family homes in the suburbs.

"I think with this momentum you're going to see a lot more development occurring in the 905," he said.

Elena Vankevich, a broker with Kingsway Real Estate in Mississauga, said she has noticed a big increase in the number of people buying condos in the region compared to last year, especially millennials looking for their first home.

"People in their 20s and 30s, they just simply can't afford houses anymore," she said.

"But they still want to move out on their own, so this is their next option."

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Humans of Toronto by K. Omar

I'm learning that I can't make a hundred people happy all the time. One day, people will say my cat's too fat, next too skinny, too small, too hot and too cold, all in the same day.

Humans of Toronto is K. Omar's social photography project aimed at photographing and talking to people in the city. Selections from her work feature weekly in Metro. See more at Humans of Toronto on Instagram.

Micro-market big in Moss Park

FOOD

Effort headed by non-profit amid demand for fresh produce

May Warren
Metro | Toronto

Wali Barak slices a mango in half and hands the bright orange pieces to a customer.

"My project is to bring everybody together," he says, gesturing to the rows of fresh berries, shiny red tomatoes and leafy greens tightly packed behind him. "The farmers, the sellers, everybody, together, to connect the people."

At just 30 square metres, Barak's business could be considered a micro-market. Housed inside two shipping containers at the corner of Seaton and Queen streets, the market opened a few weeks ago.

It was spearheaded by non-profit Building Roots, after Moss Park residents, many of whom live in Toronto Community Housing, complained about the lack of healthy, affordable food.

"We knew that having a store, like a storefront, was not possible, so we thought what about shipping containers?" said Lisa Kates, a partner in the group.

Barak, who also runs a farmers' market at Regent Park, oversees the tiny shop, which was crowded with customers Friday afternoon.

He keeps a fresh pot of sweet green tea at the counter, and outside the flags of at least five different countries flap against the container's walls.

Wali Barak shows off fresh produce outside his farmers' market in Moss Park. The market, housed inside two shipping containers, has been a big hit with residents. LIZ BEDDALL/METRO

Barak, who came to Toronto from Afghanistan 27 years ago, said the market is a way of giving back, and making sure his teenage children, who regularly help out, appreciate the city's cultural — and culinary — diversity.

"When I came here I met a lot of beautiful people, different ethnic nationalities," he said.

"They helped me a lot."

He keeps costs low by working with local farmers, and doesn't have a lot of overhead costs or rent. Genet Dinkayehu, filling a basket with beets, juicy peaches and shiny red peppers, said the market has been a hit, especially with people who have trouble walking 15 minutes to the nearest big grocery store.

"For many people, like seniors, it's easy for them and for us, too," she said.

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TTC to boost women's safety

HARASSMENT

Commission meeting to look at tactics

One evening in May, Hillary Di Menna was on the subway with a friend when she noticed a man staring at them. Her friend got off, and the man sat down beside Di Menna and began to make sexual advances.

"I'm sitting by the window so it's not like I can get up and leave," recalled Di Menna, a Toronto-based journalist and feminist activist.

She finally escaped when she was able to get out, run up to the street, and call her partner to come pick her up.

Di Menna said she's been harassed and even grabbed on public transit before, but the recent incident left her shaken. "That one just really upset me, and I'm pretty used to this stuff now," she said.

Di Menna is not alone. The TTC receives regular complaints about sexual harassment, and in the first five months of 2016, 35 sexual assaults on the transit system were reported to the commission. That amounts to almost one every four days.

Hillary Di Menna says she experiences harassment on the TTC weekly. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Women's safety will be on the TTC board's agenda on Monday, when it considers a request from city council to review the transit system through a "gender-specific lens" to "address safety concerns of women and women with disabilities."

The idea originated at the city's disability, access and inclusion advisory committee, and was spearheaded by committee member Terri-Lynn Langdon. As a wheelchair user who has advocated on behalf of the disabled for a more equitable transit system, Langdon sees women's safety as a matter of accessibility.

The problem is not unique to Toronto. Anxiety around using public transit is "quite universal" among women around the world, according to Anastasia Loukaitou-Sideris, a professor of urban planning at the UCLA School of Public Affairs who has spent more than a decade studying women's safety and transportation.

She said operators should use "layers of different strategies" to combat the problem, from embedding safety features such as adequate lighting and clear sightlines into station design, to increasing security personnel, to involving more women in the transit planning process.

Historically, the TTC has been at the vanguard of efforts to address women's safety issues. More than 20 years ago the commission worked with Metrac, an anti-violence-against-women organization, to create the request-stop program, which allows bus passengers travelling at night to ask to be let off between stops.

The commission also created Designated Waiting Areas (DWAs) on subway platforms that provide a safe, well-lit space and access to an intercom.

Loukaitou-Sideris described the TTC's efforts as "pioneering work that has given other examples to other cities."

But TTC spokesman Brad Ross admits the commission could do more.

Councillor Kristin Wong-Tam (Ward 27, Toronto Centre-Rosedale), said that imbalance hinders the commission's ability to serve its diverse customers.

Ross said the agency is consciously trying to attract more women to the commission. He notes that four years ago the TTC had an all-male executive. Now, three of 10 executive positions are held by women.

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COMMUTERS

Car-share pilot sets sights on the 'Loo

May Warren
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A new ride-sharing service is looking to capitalize on the growing number of people commuting between Kitchener-Waterloo and Toronto.

RideCO founder Prem Gururajan routinely travels from the burgeoning tech hub to Toronto for meetings, joining what he believes are "thousands" of others making the trip on any given day.

However, for those long-distance commuters, public transit options are slim, leaving people like Gururajan stuck in traffic for hours.

"If we had all-day GO service, like Oakville and those places have, then that would be great, but it doesn't exist and it's going to be probably many years in the future in terms of it becoming a reality," he said.

The province has pledged to add two more morning and afternoon GO trains this fall to the four that currently run along the route.

They've also committed to eventually running all-day, two way service, but there's no timeline for that.

RideCO, which launched in March, is stepping up to fill the void.

The company already offers ride-shares in Kitchener-Waterloo, but will be launching service to Toronto — and back — later this month.

"It was born out of necessity," said Gururajan.

At about $40 a trip, RideCO's service is probably out of reach for most daily commuters, but Gururajan plans to drop the price if enough users sign on.

CITY COUNCIL

Ex-Scarborough mayor rallies for LRT

It's been nearly 40 years since Paul Cosgrove has sat in council chambers for a good debate.

But controversy over transit for Scarborough is calling the him back.

At 81, the last surviving mayor of pre-amalgamation Scarborough will renew his advocacy for light rail to Scarborough's city centre.

"The Scarborough that I knew were practical people," said Cosgrove, who was mayor from 1973 to 1978. A high-capacity subway, serving far fewer people, was unaffordable then, he said. Now, at an estimated cost of at least $3.2 billion, he said little has changed.

"I'm somewhat baffled by the debate that we're having now... The capital for the subway is not justified. The ridership is not justified. The future maintenance is not justified."

In Cosgrove's day, what was then brand-new streetcar technology was proposed for a line in its own right-of way, costing $108.7 million. It was planned to run from the yet-to-be-built Kennedy station on the Bloor-Danforth line to the Scarborough Town Centre, which opened in 1973.

In 1977, the streetcar line was the largest investment approved by Metro Council in a 23-8 vote.

Today, Cosgrove questions why the RT technology was never improved upon, using the same route to build the modern light rail he once dreamed of. That was what was proposed by former mayor David Miller as part of his Transit City plan. And it is still the funded agreement on paper with the province today, despite council's backing of a subway in 2013 at the urging of former mayor Rob Ford.

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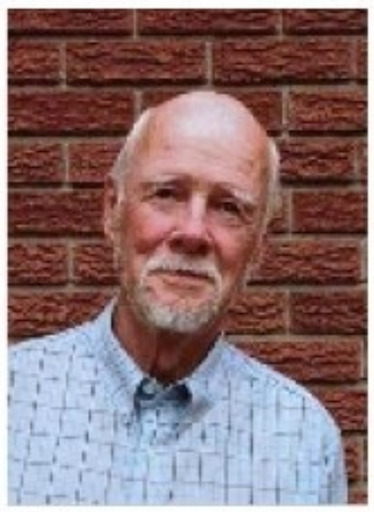

Paul Cosgrove. CONTRIBUTED

Art world called to action

RESEARCH

Poll finds half can't name one Canadian visual artist

May Warren
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Christi Belcourt's The Wisdom of the Universe, left, Prudence Heward's My Caddy, top right, and Sarah Margaret Armour Robertson's In the Nuns' Garden at the Art Gallery of Ontario.
CONTRIBUTED

Emily Carr, Lawren Harris, A.Y. Jackson.

These Canadian artists may not be as recognizable as the Biebs or Sidney Crosby, but hopefully you've heard of at least one of them.

Amanda Hadi, an Art Gallery of Ontario social media officer, started the social media rallying cry #CanArtists this week, after reading a recent Main Street Research poll that said over half of Canadians can't name one Canadian visual artist.

54%

The poll found 54 per cent could not name a single Canadian visual artist but 97 per cent could name hockey players.

Now, she's challenging people across the country to up their art game by tweeting the names and works of Canadian artists.

"It became a local and a national phenomenon," said Hadi, who called it "really heartening" to see the call to action picked up by institutions like the National Gallery of Canada and the Winnipeg Arts Council.

People from all over the country have tweeted using the hashtag, including some big names in the art world, but also local artists and many First Nations people.

A scroll through the feed shows everything from the frozen forests of Group of Seven Artist Tom Thomson, to the floral paintings of Métis artist Christi Belcourt.

"It tells a story that's as diverse and living and thriving as the Canadian arts scene," Hadi said.

IN BRIEF

New homeless shelters facing opposition

With some of Toronto's homeless shelters becoming homeless, council is being asked this week to develop a management strategy to help overcome community opposition to proposed new sites. The latest proposed shelter to face local resistance is a former Goodwill store at Runnymede Rd., south of St. Clair Ave. W. It's one of up to 15 new sites planned over the next five years. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Councillor breached council rules: Watchdog

Coun. Mark Grimes breached council rules when he took part in "improper" dealings with two different developers, integrity commissioner Valerie Jepson found.

She launched a 17-month investigation into the councillor's involvement with the companies after a resident in Grimes' Ward 6 (Etobicoke-Lakeshore) complained about his conduct. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Soccermania sweeps T.O.

Against all odds, the Portuguese national team won the 2016 Euro Cup on Sunday, beating the host France 1-0 in extra time. Supporters have come out in droves across Toronto to cheer for their teams, a testament to the city's growing love for 'the beautiful game.' Metro asked fans what the growth of soccer means for Toronto.

"I think amateur football is really taking off in this city, especially because the local team TFC has been doing well in MLS. Joe McElroy

"Soccer is a game of diversity. It's not like hockey or NBA where it's just the US, Canada and a few other countries. That is why Toronto embraces soccer, because we are a diverse city too.
Letissia Fadel

Fans celebrate in Toronto during the final game of the Euro Cup. Portugal beat France 1-0 in extra time.

"I think soccer is becoming more popular in Toronto. It's affordable to everyone, regardless of income. All you need is a ball, really.
Kyle Chiu

"In Toronto a lot of people have ancestry from countries where football has taken roots. It's a multicultural game and everyone can see themselves in it.
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Prison farms may come back

CORRECTIONS

Gaining life skills reduces recidivism, says former inmate

Pat Kincaid credits the dairy cows on a now-shuttered prison farm in Ontario with teaching him the skills he needed to break a life-long cycle of crime and incarceration.

The 65-year-old Kingston, Ont., resident, who has spent a total of 35 years behind bars for assaults, thefts and other property crimes, hopes other inmates get the chance to benefit from a program the federal Liberal government is now considering reopening.

"There's not a program in jail, even today, that can teach those skills that the cows have taught me by working with them," said Kincaid, who's been out of prison for seven years.

Pat Kincaid in Kingston, Ont. LARS HAGBERG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

"The cows taught me patience and how to control my anger, and how to deal with being upset … I know it helped other inmates too."

The 2010 closure of the country's prison farms by the then-Conservative government — six in total operating at institutions in New Brunswick, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta — was highly controversial.

Opponents argued the decision was made without properly considering the essential skills the farms taught the participating inmates. There was also criticism that local community members had not been adequately consulted.

A town hall is also planned in Kingston at a yet-to-be-determined date, to allow local residents and other stakeholders to share their thoughts.

"If they could save another guy like me, they should keep that barn open," Kincaid said of the dairy farm where he once cleaned stalls, milked cows and helped birth calves. "It made my time go quick. I didn't even realize I was doing time when I was in the barn."

The decision to shutter the farms drew protests, particularly in Kingston, where a farm with a large dairy herd and several thousand hens, and another with an abattoir were closed.

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Auschwitz survivor Nate Leipciger embraces Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. PHOTOS: ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Trudeau stands in front of the Wall of Death.

Trudeau walks through the main gate with Stephane Dion.

POLAND

Trudeau visits Auschwitz

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau arrived in Ukraine after an emotional visit Sunday to the scene of one of the worst chapters in human history, the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp, where he warned against intolerance and offered a message of love.

The blue skies and sunshine were a sharp contrast to the history of the camp as the prime minister walked past barbed wire fences and surveyed the gas chambers where more than one million people, mostly Jews, were killed in the Second World War.

Trudeau was stone-faced through most of the visit as he was escorted by one of the camp's survivors, 88-year-old Nate Leipciger, but he did leave a message in a guest book kept by the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum.

"Tolerance is never sufficient," he wrote. "Humanity must learn to love our differences.

"Today we bear witness to humanity's capacity for deliberate cruelty and evil. May we ever remember this painful truth about ourselves, and may it strengthen our commitment to never allow such darkness to prevail.

"We shall never forget."

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ALBERTA

Puppy saved from coyote attack

Brodie Thomas
Metro | Calgary

Olive the dog was saved Saturday by some brave bystanders who stopped a coyote attack.

It all began when the one-year-old black lab's owner, Brent McConnell, was getting ready to take her for a walk in his Edgemont, Alta., when she ran away.

Eventually, Zac Wulf Gillrie saw a pack of at least five coyotes circling around Olive and nipping at her. He along with several other men ran into the park to scare them off.

Olive the dog

Luckily, Olive ran back home and was taken to a veterinarian where she was kept overnight for observation.

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Shooter taunted police

DALLAS

Authorities say gunman had personal arsenal at home

The suspect in the deadly attack on Dallas police taunted authorities during two hours of negotiations, laughing at them, singing and at one point asking how many officers he had shot, the police chief said Sunday.

The chief and the county's most senior elected official also said Micah Johnson had larger attack plans and possessed enough explosive material to inflict far greater harm.

"We're convinced that this suspect had other plans and thought that what he was doing was righteous and believed that he was going to target law enforcement — make us pay for what he sees as law enforcement's efforts to punish people of colour," Chief David Brown told CNN's State of the Union.

Johnson, a black Army veteran, insisted on speaking with a black negotiator and wrote in blood on the wall of a parking garage where police cornered and later killed him, Brown said.

The gunman wrote the letters "RB" and other markings, but the meaning was unclear. Investigators are trying to decipher the writing by looking through evidence from Johnson's suburban Dallas home, Brown said.

The writing suggested that Johnson was wounded in a shootout with police. An autopsy will confirm exactly how many times he was hit, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins said.

Police officers join parishioners of First Baptist Church in Dallas as they gather on Sunday to pray for victims of Thursday's attack. LAURA BUCKMAN/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

> **We're convinced that this suspect had other plans.**
> Chief David Brown

Authorities do not "have any independent report from an officer saying, 'I think I hit him,'" Jenkins said.

The police chief defended the decision to kill Johnson with a bomb delivered by remote-controlled robot, saying negotiations went nowhere and that officers could not approach him without putting themselves in danger.

Brown said he became increasingly concerned that "at a split second, he would charge us and take out many more before we would kill him."

The shootings marked the deadliest day for U.S. law enforcement since the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. In all, 12 officers were shot just a few blocks from where President John F. Kennedy was slain in 1963.

So far, the evidence points to the attack being a "crime of opportunity," Jenkins said.

Authorities have said the 25-year-old gunman kept a journal of combat tactics and had amassed a personal arsenal at his home that included bomb-making materials.

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Protests continue in Baton Rouge

Officers with rifles were blocking the ramps to keep protesters off Interstate 10 in downtown Baton Rouge Sunday, and about 130 people have been taken into custody as marches continue over shootings by police.

Gov. John Bel Edwards said he's "very proud" of the Louisiana law enforcement response to protests over the fatal shooting of a black man, Alton Sterling, by white police officers in the city.

Flanked by law enforcement leaders, Edwards said he doesn't believe officers have been overly aggressive by using riot gear to push protesters off a highway.

"The police tactics in response have been very moderate. I'm very proud of that," said the Democratic governor, who comes from a family of sheriffs.

Tensions between black citizens and police have risen over the past week amid police shootings of African-American men in Minnesota and Louisiana and the murder of five police officers by a black suspect in Dallas in retaliation. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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IN BRIEF

Australian leader claims win, questions remain

Eight days after Australia's general election ended in uncertainty, the prime minister finally claimed victory Sunday for his conservative coalition, bringing an end to the country's political paralysis — for the moment.

With official results still pending, it was unclear whether Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull's Liberal Party-led coalition had won enough votes to govern in its own right.

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New wave of violence hits South Sudan

South Sudan's capital was rocked Sunday by heavy arms fire between forces loyal to the president and those of the vice-president, causing widespread casualties and raising fears the country is returning to civil war. The fighting began in the morning and continued until the evening, when a thunderstorm put a damper on the violence, said UN mission spokeswoman Shantal Persaud. She confirmed that a UN armoured personnel carrier was hit by a shell at a camp to protect civilians. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN DIEGO

Third victim dies in attacks on homeless

A man injured during a series of attacks on homeless men in San Diego died at a hospital Sunday — bringing the death toll to three, police said.

Dionicio Derek Vahidy, 23, died four days after he became the fourth and final victim in the attacks, police said. Vahidy had been in grave condition since Wednesday and had not been expected to survive.

Vahidy was from San Diego and was homeless, police said. He was attacked at an apartment complex downtown, police said. A witness pulled away a burning cloth that the attacker put on him before fleeing.

In the days before the attack on Vahidy, two other men were killed and a third was severely injured. Three victims were sleeping alone, and two were set on fire.

On Thursday, Anthony Padgett, 36, was arrested on suspicion of murder, attempted murder and arson in the attacks.

He has not yet appeared in court, and it's not clear whether he has hired an attorney. Attempts by The Associated Press to reach family members have been unsuccessful.

Padgett was arrested about a block from a trolley station in Chula Vista, the San Diego suburb where he was born.

The violence began July 3, when police found the badly burned remains of Angelo De Nardo. The 53-year-old died before his body was set on fire.

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Evidence is gathered from the sidewalk and grassy area where a homeless person was attacked in San Diego. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tomas van Stee poses at Velocity Garage, a startup incubator operated by the University of Waterloo in Ontario. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Hydro startup hopes to cut bills

ELECTRICITY

EnPowered groups users to negotiate bulk rates

What preoccupies 24-year-old Tomas van Stee most is electricity bills.

Energy may not be the most popular industry for startups — but van Stee saw an opening.

"If this industry is this hated, that must mean there's an opportunity to fix it," he said.

The same day electricity prices rose again in Ontario earlier this year, van Stee launched a project offering bulk rates to people who use most of their electricity during the day.

On May 1, he introduced his company EnPowered's "group-buying" service. It puts all the customers who use 50 per cent or more of their electricity during the day into one buying group. The group becomes a large-volume user, allowing them to pay less.

It's van Stee's way of helping "fix a broken industry," he says. Electricity prices have soared over the past decade in part to compensate for the artificially low rates of the past, and in part due to Ontario's promotions of wind and solar power.

80 cents

The amount EnPowered says it makes a month from an average household — about 1/10th of a penny per kilowatt hour.

Van Stee came up with his idea after he learned his parents had locked into an expensive electricity contract with a private utility. Utilities in Ontario have been criticized for convoluted and unnecessary charges, ballooning individuals' bill costs.

He's consulted with about a dozen small businesses in setting up the project and is introducing them to group buying, which he says should save them just under $1,000 a year.

The market rate is designed for large users whose electricity is running at all times and for whom peak rates would cause astronomical pricing. When van Stee has 25 customers or five small businesses, he sets up a volume account with the utility, which switches them over to market pricing as if they are part of a larger entity.

"I can go to a supplier and say, 'I'm not just representing one home; I'm representing 100 homeowners,'" van Stee explains. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

IN BRIEF

Canada Post drops lockout threat

Canada Post has backed off a threat to lock out 50,000 of its unionized workers on Monday.

Talks resumed Sunday and Canada Post has issued a statement that says it has withdrawn its lockout notice.

Canada Post says it hopes the union will not issue a strike notice, saying that would provide the certainty in the postal service that Canadians are looking for.

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WORK

American women retire in poverty

During their working years, women earn less than men, and when they retire, they're more likely to live in poverty.

The National Institute on Retirement Security, a non-profit research centre in the U.S., reports that women are 80 per cent more likely than men to be impoverished at age 65 and older. Women age 75 to 79 are three times more likely.

While experts cite a pay gap as a major cause for retirement insecurity, other factors play a role, from single parenthood to the fact that women live longer.

Joan Entmacher, vice-president for family economic security at the National Women's Law Center, says "the solution to the retirement (funding) crisis starts with the earnings and wage gap."

That gap narrowed between the 1970s and 1990s, but stopped shrinking in 2001. Women earn about 76 cents on the dollar, compared with men.

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THE QUESTION

My boss showed up at my office team's after-hours function and ordered one of my colleagues to change seats so that he could have it. Is there anything anyone could have done about this?

Hi Ellen,

Our office team had a casual get-together. The manager arrived late, walked up to a person sitting in the middle of the table and told him, "I'll have this seat; you can go sit over there." The person obediently moved to the less desirable seat. I was shocked. Was the manager abusing his authority? What is the office etiquette in this situation? If it happens to me, should I obediently give up my seat, or speak up and risk getting fired?

Signed,
Mary

Dear Desperate,

I'm outraged on your behalf, but not actually shocked.

There's an artist named Jenny Holzer, whose work in the 1980s included neon signs spelling out slogans, and one in particular always stayed with me: "Abuse of power comes as no surprise." I first saw that piece when I was working for a series of friendly bosses, who were talented, encouraged good work, and were huge fun in social situations. But their many small abuses of power ultimately drained all respect I had for them as individuals.

It's so weak for anyone in a position of authority to take advantage of their situation, to claim attention and small luxuries for themselves after office hours when they're already enjoying a higher salary and the power to control people's lives during the workday. And for you, the employee who isn't quite sure whether you're kicking back and relaxing as equals, or whether you're still at the beck and call of that smarmy b—d, it can be confusing and exhausting.

At least with a blatantly evil boss there's no pretence of mutual affection or respect.

At least with a blatantly evil boss — the kind who gets off on torturing employees with overwork, underappreciation, passive-aggressive mind games or outright lying about raises and promotions, etc. — there's no pretence of mutual affection or respect. With the BEB, you can at least spend many a pleasant hour (ideally, on company time) fantasizing about the day you find a better job and can crush them with a devastating exit speech. Or, even better, maybe you'll find something on the photocopier that will make it morally justifiable to blackmail them in order that you may ascend to the Iron Throne, whereupon you wouldn't actually physically torture them (torture is never justified), but they wouldn't know that, and they would really regret how crappy they were to everyone and suddenly realize how awful it is to be under someone else's thumb.

As for the etiquette in the situation you describe, your co-worker, by quietly moving to another seat, displayed far better manners than your flagrantly discourteous boss. And though no one's likely to get fired for refusing to give up a seat in a bar, we all know the trickle-down effect of not sucking up 24/7 to a power-tripping authority figure.

So if it happens to you, button your lip, do what you're told, and don't make the mistake of thinking your power-abusing boss is a friend.

Need advice?
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ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

Courts are proving that homelessness isn't just a fact of life

Some things seem intractable, until they are not.

In May, 2015, Medicine Hat, Alta., was basking in glowing headlines as the first city in Canada to claim it had eliminated homelessness, having created housing for people who had none and doggedly encouraged them to move in. It was a victory — and proof that one is possible — but it was not to be repeated by authorities elsewhere with any speed. Homelessness is still treated by most Canadian cities as unsolvable.

And that has forced courts to become our sometimes unwitting moral compass.

Last week, a B.C. Supreme Court judge ordered the disbandment of a swelling, controversial tent city outside a provincial courthouse in Victoria, and simultaneously handed its homeless dwellers and their advocates a legal victory. Chief Justice Christopher Hinkson ruled not only that the camp had become too unsafe — noting garbage, discarded needles and condoms, aggressive dogs, a changing population, and at least two rats nests — but also that the province couldn't just force people to pull down their tents; it has to find everyone a place to live by Aug. 8.

It's not the first time this judge has shamed politicians into more ethical treatment of their homeless constituents. Eight years ago, in another B.C. Supreme Court case, Hinkson ruled that homeless people's charter-enshrined right to security of the person means they should be allowed to camp in city parks. In response, the City of Victoria enacted a bylaw against propping up tents in the daytime. But the measure doesn't extend to provincial land, such as the courthouse premises; hence the so-called "Super InTent City," which quickly flourished after appearing last year.

Victoria has a long, troubled history of homelessness, one many say has been inflamed by the tent-city legal battle. "It has drained Victoria of its compassion" was the diagnosis from beloved Times-Colonist columnist Jack Knox.

But advocates are also calling it a "historic victory." It certainly marks another crucial legal ruling. And once again it puts the courts on the moral high ground above ineffectual politicians: As the judge allowed the tent city to endure, the province was forced to act. In the last year, it "secured more than 300 units of transitional and permanent housing for people who are homeless," the Times-Colonist reported, and $26 million in further funding. It's not a magic pill, but at least it's something. At least we have this very low bar, now, set by the courts: We all deserve a home.

The trouble now will be finding leaders outside Medicine Hat willing to believe it.

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I feel that being a mum means you have a very real stake in the future of our country, a tangible stake. She possibly has nieces, nephews, lots of people, but I have children."
Britain's Conservative leadership candidate Andrea Leadsom, right, claiming she has an advantage over rival Theresa May, left.

Don't let money news dictate investments

PERSONAL FINANCE

The right plan is always more relevant than market changes

Gail Vaz-Oxlade
For Metro Canada

Stock market fluctuations, or the media that cover them, can affect your financial plans. ISTOCK

Have you ever noticed that the financial news is always full of some drama or another? The stock market is skyrocketing. The stock market is diving. The credit world is in meltdown. Savings are in the tank. Inflation is zooming up. The economy is suffering from stagflation.

People are swayed by the news. It creates stress and tension. Even the investment world is always responding to the news, although those folks should know better. In the book, Why Smart People Make Big Money Mistakes, Gary Belsky and Thomas Gilovich cite a Harvard study of investment habits: "Investors who received no news performed better than those who received a constant stream of information, good or bad.

"In fact, among investors who were trading (a volatile stock), those who remained in the dark earned more than twice as much money as those whose trades were influenced by the media."

Their point is that investment decisions should not be made based on the market's most recent gyrations, but on your financial goals and the investment strategy that will achieve them.

There will always be something in the news. And the global economy will always be changing. That's life. But does that something new always have an impact on you and your life?

Without a strong financial foundation, the economic woes are likely to have a bigger impact on you than you'd like. But if your personal economy is strong, you'll have a plan, the resources and the flexibility to make it through the rough patches.

Focusing on your personal economy means putting the pieces into place that will protect you and give you some financial room to manoeuvre. Having clear financial goals helps.

The impact of the global economy is real and can have an impact on your personal economy. Just ask all the folks who have lost jobs, taken pay cuts or had their hours at work cut back. But if you allow the mind-numbing negative information that flows around you to drive your behaviour, you will not be happy. It's good to know what's going on. But it's better not to have to care because you've built a personal economy that can weather the storm.

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Want to make your personal economy strong?

- Don't spend more money than you make.
- Save something.
- Get your debt paid off.
- Mitigate your risks with an emergency fund and enough of the right kind of insurance.

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AUGMENTED REALITY

Watch out, would-be Pokemon Go masters

Beware: Pokemon Go, a new smartphone game based on cute Nintendo characters like Squirtle and Pikachu, can be harmful to your health.

The augmented-reality game, which layers gameplay onto the physical world, became the top-grossing app in the iPhone app store just days after its Wednesday release in the U.S., Australia and New Zealand. And players have already reported wiping out in a variety of ways as they wander the real world — eyes glued to their smartphone screens — in search of digital monsters.

The game was created by Niantic Inc., a San Francisco spinoff of Google parent Alphabet Inc. that previously became known for a similar augmented-reality game called "Ingress."

To play, you fire up the game and then start trekking to prominent local landmarks — represented in the game as "Pokestops" — where you can gather supplies such as Pokeballs.

Those are what you fling at online "pocket monsters," or Pokemon, to capture them for training. At other locations called "gyms" — which may or may not be actual gyms in the real world — Pokemon battle one another for supremacy.

Naturally, the game has also induced people to post pictures of themselves on social media chasing creatures in all sorts of dangerous situations.

Lindsay Plunkett, a 23-year-old waitress in Asheville, N.C., made a point Friday of parking six blocks away from the restaurant where she works, instead of the usual three.

"Just so I could get some more Pokestops on the way," she says.

She's still nursing a bruised shin from the previous night, when she and her boyfriend spent hours wandering downtown in the rain. She tripped over a cinder block that had been used as a doorstop at a local women's museum.

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Lindsay Plunkett, 23, tripped over a cinder block doorstop while playing Pokemon Go. JUSTIN HARRISON VIA AP

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When Jenn Tesluk and her husband decided to have kids, she tried two apps that showed her ovulation days, but each one gave a different answer. When either app told her she was ovulating, ovulation test strips didn't back it up. MARCUS OLENIUK/TORSTAR

Fertility apps rarely bear out

REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

New study looks at 95 tools that claim to predict ovulation

There are dozens of smartphone and web apps women use to avoid pregnancy — but do they actually work?

Most don't, according to a new study from Georgetown University researchers. The peer-reviewed research, published in the latest issue of the Journal of the American Board of Family Medicine, looked at nearly 100 fertility awareness apps and found a majority aren't designed for avoiding pregnancy, nor based on evidence-based fertility awareness-based methods women often use to track their cycles — some to avoid conception, and others to aid in conceiving.

"I don't think the apps are necessarily helping women as much as they purport they are," says the study's lead author, Dr. Marguerite Duane, an adjunct associate professor at the Georgetown University School of Medicine and executive director of Fertility Appreciation Collaborative to Teach the Science.

And that's concerning, Duane says, given how popular these apps are becoming. The top apps have been downloaded more than one million times each, her study notes.

The research looked at 95 apps in total, but eliminated 55 off the top because they either had a disclaimer prohibiting use for avoiding pregnancy or didn't claim to use evidence-based fertility awareness-based methods, which help predict fertile and infertile times in a woman's cycle — systems such as the sympto-thermal method, which involves recording fertility clues like a woman's basal body temperature, mood, and cervical secretions.

Duane wouldn't recommend these apps for women trying to avoid pregnancy. "But if you want to track one of your periods coming, that's completely different," she adds.

When it came to the 40 apps Duane's team did review, 30 predicted fertile days for users and 10 didn't. The researchers entered in seven different "cycles" to test each app, with data that varied in cycle length and fertility observations — reflecting the diversity of real women.

While many women swear by apps, citing success stories like longtime pregnancy prevention or conception on the first go, others find them useless. Some women also end up using apps for both purposes — at first preventing pregnancy, then later in an attempt to conceive.

> It's always much better to chart for yourself, rather than using a one-size-fits-all app. Dr. Yolanda Kirkham

Pickering resident Jenn Tesluk also used an app to track her cycles while using different forms of birth control — from condoms to the NuvaRing — and eventually just to check when she'd be getting her period after she stopped using various birth control methods. But she didn't feel like the apps were totally reliable beyond period tracking. When it came to avoiding pregnancy, "we were just lucky," she says.

Later, when Tesluk and her husband Matt decided to have kids, she tried two different apps that showed her ovulation days, but each one gave a different answer.

"It was really frustrating," she says. Her cycles, she adds, are a bit longer than the average woman — around 35 days, instead of the typical 28. If apps are using that "typical" menstrual cycle, that might explain why many women wouldn't find them accurate, notes Dr. Yolanda Kirkham, an obstetrician-gynecologist at Women's College Hospital and St. Joseph's Heath Centre.

While Kirkham always encourages her patients to learn more about their cycles, she says the apps merely act as a tracking tool — and should be coupled with speaking to your doctor and learning how to gauge your own body.

"We can't rely just on computers. They don't know you personally. It's always much better to chart for yourself, rather than using a one-size-fits-all app," Kirkham says. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

CHECK IT OUT

Which widgets are accurate

Out of the 30 apps predicting a woman's fertile days, Dr. Marguerite Duane only recommends the top-rated apps in the study: **Ovulation Mentor, Sympto.org, iCycleBeads, LilyPro, Lady Cycle, and mfNFP.net** — which all had either a perfect score on accuracy or no days of fertility labelled as infertile.

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"Looking forward to wearing some red white and blue in Rio": Rickie Fowler took to Twitter to say he'll represent the U.S. at the Olympics

Portugal spoils the party

EURO 2016 FINAL

Eder is the hero as hosts fail to capitalize on Ronaldo injury

SUNDAY In Saint-Denis

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Portugal overcame the loss of injured captain Cristiano Ronaldo to beat France 1-0 in the European Championship final on Sunday, with a goal in extra time from substitute Eder securing their country's first football title.

Just as the final looked destined for a penalty shootout, Eder cut through the French defence and struck a low shot from 25 metres (yards) past goalkeeper Hugo Lloris in the 109th minute at the Stade de France.

Twelve years after losing to Greece on home soil in their last appearance in the final, it was Portugal's turn to spoil the host nation's party. And they achieved it after winning only one of their seven games at Euro 2016 inside 90 minutes, and after losing the inspirational Ronaldo midway through the first half.

Antoine Griezmann
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"It was tough because we lost our main man and we had all our hopes pinned on him because he's a player who can score a goal at any minute," Portugal defender Pepe said. "When he said he couldn't go on, I tried to tell my teammates that we have to win it for him. That we were going to fight for him." And they did.

Red and green confetti descended from the roof onto Ronaldo and his victorious teammates as supporters of the hosts flooded out of the stadium, denied a third victory on French soil to add to Euro '84 and the 1998 World Cup.

"Football can be very cruel," said Lloris, France's captain. "The overriding emotion is a lot of sadness."

It was a mostly dull and stodgy final but the record books will only show that Portugal went from third-place in its group to champion, and with little help from Ronaldo in its last match.

Portugal's forward Cristiano Ronaldo, centre, lifts the trophy as he celebrates with teammates winning the Euro 2016 final. FRANCISCO LEONG/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

European football's biggest game lost its biggest name after 25 minutes of a cagey final on the outskirts of the French capital. "Today I had bad luck because I had a small injury in the beginning of the teams, but my colleagues did their part — they run, they fight ... nobody believed in Portugal but we won," Ronaldo said..

Even France forward Antoine Griezmann, the tournament's leading scorer, couldn't rise to the big occasion. There was no seventh goal of Euro 2016 from the Atletico Madrid forward, who also lost out in the Champions League final six weeks ago to Ronaldo's Real Madrid.

Griezmann was the first player to find the target, but his header was tipped over by Rui Patricio, who was formidable in the Portugal goal. When an inviting cross from Kingsley Coman was delivered in the 66th, Griezmann missed with a free header.

Only once was Patricio beaten, when Andre-Pierre Gignac's shot hit the inside of the post but it came back out. Luck was on Portugal's side, and Eder was able to strike the decisive blow.

"It's something unbelievable in my career, something I deserve," Ronaldo said.

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MLB

Dickey and Donaldson combine to tame Tigers

Blue Jays centre-fielder Kevin Pillar makes a jumping catch at the wall on Sunday. RICK MADONIK/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

R.A. Dickey believes this year's edition of the Toronto Blue Jays is in better shape than last season's.

The knuckleballer tossed seven innings of one-run baseball on Sunday afternoon as the Blue Jays defeated the Detroit Tigers 6-1, allowing five hits while striking out five and walking two as Toronto won for the eighth time in its past 10 games.

Still, Dickey (7-9) thinks the Blue Jays have more momentum heading into the all-star break than last year's team, which won the American League East crown and got to the American League Championship Series.

"I'd say we're certainly in a better position now, than we have been in the past," said Dickey.

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Josh Donaldson belted a three-run home run and Josh Thole drove in a pair for Toronto (51-40), which is tied for second place in the American League East with Boston. Baltimore leads those teams by two games.

The Tigers (46-43) have dropped three of their last four heading into the break.

Donaldson became just the sixth player in AL history to score 80 runs and hit 20 home runs prior to the all-star break. The others were Lou Gehrig (1936), Ted Williams (1946), Reggie Jackson (1969), Frank Thomas (1994), and Alex Rodriguez (2000). THE CANADIAN PRESS

IN BRIEF

Hamilton sprinter Rodney impresses in 200 metres

Canada has another star sprinter as Brendon Rodney of Hamilton became just the second Canadian in history to break the 20-second barrier in the 200 metres on Sunday.

Rodney crossed in 19.96 seconds to win the 200 metres at the Canadian Olympic track and field trials. Toronto's Aaron Brown (20.32) finished second while Andre De Grasse, Saturday's 100 metres winner, (20.32) was third. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canadian men's basketball team falls short of Rio

Canada's men's basketball team saw its dreams of playing in the Rio Olympics dashed. The Canadians lost 83-74 to France in Sunday's heartbreaking final of FIBA's last-chance Olympic qualifying tournament in Manila, Philippines.

Toronto Raptors guard Cory Joseph had 20 points and six assists to lead the Canadians, who were hoping to make their first Olympic appearance since the 2000 Sydney Games.

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Lang wins women's U.S Open after 3-hole playoff

Brittany Lang won her first career major at the U.S. Women's Open when Anna Nordqvist touched the sand with her club in a bunker for a two-stroke penalty in the three-hole aggregate playoff on Sunday.

The penalty occurred on the second hole of the playoff after officials reviewed replays in the latest controversy at a USGA event. Lang sealed the win with a short par putt on the final playoff hole, while Nordqvist made bogey. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hamilton successful in defending title at home

Defending Formula One champion Lewis Hamilton reeled off his fourth win in five races Sunday at the British Grand Prix.

The Mercedes driver's victory completes a hat trick of consecutive home wins at the British Grand Prix, and is his fourth win on home soil and the 47th of his career. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

UFC

First gay champ crowned

After Amanda Nunes released the chokehold that finished her stunning victory at UFC 200 on Saturday night in Las Vegas, the new bantamweight champion leaped onto the cage and pointed ecstatically at her girlfriend, Nina Ansaroff.

Nunes became the UFC's first openly gay champion with her first-round submission of Miesha Tate. While the Brazilian bantamweight celebrated, Nunes also spared a thought for the history-making nature of her accomplishment.

"This is amazing," Nunes said. "The most important thing is I'm happy with my life.... She means everything to me."

Nunes (13-4) and Ansaroff are mixed martial artists who live and train together in Florida. While Ansaroff's strawweight career hasn't reached Nunes' heights, she has passionately supported Nunes' rise.

Nunes staggered Tate early with a precise right hand. She battered the former champ throughout the round before easily sinking in the choke that forced Tate to tap out with 1:44 left in the round.

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LGBTQ

Earlier this month, the UFC started an initiative to benefit the LGBTQ community in Las Vegas, selling T-shirts reading "We Are All Fighters" in rainbow lettering.

Murray mows down Milos

WIMBLEDON

Raonic misses out on winning Canada's first singles Slam

Milos Raonic battled all match trying to get to a level that was "good enough" to make him Canada's first Grand Slam singles champion. In the end, he couldn't quite get there.

The Thornhill product lost in straight sets to Andy Murray in the Wimbledon final Sunday in the first major singles championship match to feature a Canadian man.

"That's pretty much the thing you're fighting the most, is to try to find a level that's good enough," Raonic said. "I was keeping up with him but when it counted I wasn't able to get on top."

Murray, the local favourite, topped the 25-year-old Raonic 6-4, 7-6 (3), 7-6 (2) to capture his second Wimbledon title and third major championship.

Raonic, who came into the match on a high after beating Swiss superstar Roger Federer in a five-set semifinal thriller on Friday, had a solid run at this year's tournament.

Down two sets to love in the fourth round against Belgium's David Goffin, Raonic found a way to pull through and advance to the quarter-finals, where he beat Sam Querrey in four sets.

"It was phenomenal," Raonic said of his performance. "I stepped up in a semifinal that twice I struggled in the past, I came back from two sets to love down which is a first time for me, I showed guts, I showed vigour and I have to carry that through to the next events."

Andy Murray hoists the championship trophy after beating Milos Raonic, left, in the Wimbledon final in London, Sunday. ANDY COULDRIDGE/POOL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Denis Shapovalov GETTY IMAGES

Eugenie Bouchard of Westmount, Que., is the only Canadian female to play in a Grand Slam singles final. She lost to Petra Kvitova at Wimbledon in 2014. Toronto's Daniel Nestor is an eight-time major champion in doubles.

Earlier Sunday, Canadian teen Denis Shapovalov won the Wimbledon's boys' title, defeating Australia's Alex De Minaur in three sets. The 17-year-old Shapovalov from Richmond Hill bounced back from a 6-4 loss in the first set to take the next two, 6-1, 6-3 respectively.

And later, Shapovalov and Canadian partner Felix Auger-Aliassime lost in the doubles final to Kenneth Raisma of Estonia and Stefanos Tsitsipas of Greece 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

"The appreciation for tennis in Canada has considerably grown," Raonic said. "There's always a big contingency and a big showing and that's a great honour to have that support. What happened today happened and I think the only thing I could ever regret was if I didn't do everything I can to make myself return to this position again."

Murray came into the tournament after losing to Novak Djokovic in the finals of both the Australian Open and French Open this year.

Three years ago, Murray became the first British man since 1936 to win the singles title at the All England Club. He also won the U.S. Open in 2012, a few weeks after winning the Olympic gold medal at Wimbledon.

"It is different. I feel happier this time. I feel more content this time. I feel like this was sort of more for myself more than anything, and my team as well," said the second-seeded Murray, who was playing in his 11th major final, but the first against someone other than Djokovic or Federer.

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Serena's superb Saturday

Serena Williams is leaving Wimbledon with two trophies after winning both the women's singles title and the women's doubles championship on Saturday.

Williams collected her 22nd Grand Slam singles title with a 7-5, 6-3 victory over Angelique Kerber, then teamed with sister Venus to beat Timea Babos and Yaroslava Shvedova 6-3, 6-4.

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RECIPE Corn and Black Bean Couscous

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Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

We love mixing the season's fresh ingredients into easy-to-cook grains like couscous. We also like eating these dishes outside with a ice cold beverage.

Ready in
Prep time: 10 minutes
Cook time: 20 minutes
Makes 4 servings

Ingredients
- 1 package couscous, cooked according to package directions
- 4 ears of corn, boiled
- 1 red bell pepper, cored, seeded and diced
- 1 can organic black beans, rinsed and drained
- ½ cup finely chopped red onion
- 1 cup crumbled feta cheese
- 1/3 cup cilantro, finely chopped

Dressing
- 1 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 2 tablespoons rice wine vinegar
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1/4 teaspoon salt

Directions

1. Cut corn kernels from boiled cob. Pour cooked couscous into a large mixing bowl and stir in corn, black beans, red bell pepper and feta.

2. Meanwhile, in a small bowl, whisk the olive oil, rice wine vinegar, lime juice and honey. Sprinkle in the salt and stir.

3. Pour dressing over salad and mix to coat couscous. Stir in cilantro. Serve immediately or chill for one hour and serve cold.

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CROSSWORD Canada Across and Down

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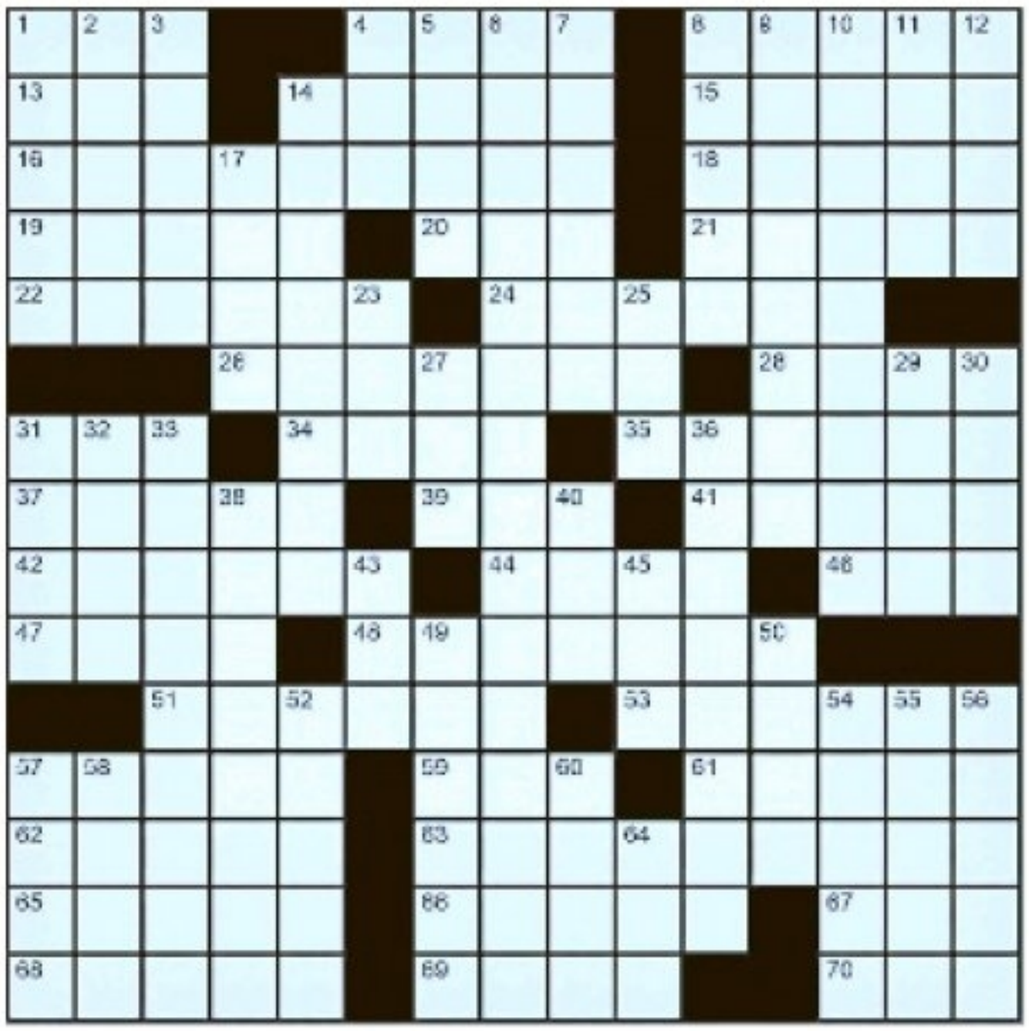

ACROSS
1. Bug
4. Bought - but then taken back to the store [abbr.]
8. Scatter
13. Suffix with 'Chlor'
14. Actress Anne
15. Dried plum
16. Star/composer/creator of the hit musical at #14-Down, __-__ Miranda
18. Ceiling of sorts
19. Levi's material
20. Exec. level
21. Citric and Glycolic
22. Kangaroo logo shampoo
24. "Strut" by Sheena __
26. Detox
28. Pro __ (In proportion)
31. "..._ _ mouse?"
34. __ messaging
35. Eugenie Bouchard's sport
37. Large in scale
39. Street for Freddy
41. Climbing leguminous plant
42. Emergency signals
44. "_!_ bug!"
46. "__ Pilot" by Eric Burdon & The Animals
47. Nautical mile
48. Pancakes cooker
51. Julius Caesar conspirator
53. Ete: English
57. Anew
59. __-mo replay
61. "I Was _ __ War Bride" (1949)
62. Filled
63. Sewing kit item: 2 wds.
65. Full of life
66. Hole-__-__
67. Geog. coordinate
68. Indiana basketballer
69. Edge tool
70. Conductor, __-Pekka Salonen

DOWN
1. Ms. Swinton
2. "Bon voyage!"
3. Actor Mr. Badgley's
4. Stimpy's cartoon co-star
5. __ Secum, Nova Scotia
6. PEI nickname: 3 wds.
7. Ms. Burke's of "Designing Women"
8. Tomato-hitting-the-ground sound
9. Three-pointed-brim hat, variantly
10. Goats and giraffes
11. This '90s Canuck hit's bit: "...I was three inches shorter then..."
12. Drenches
14. Tony-winning musical ...sharing the name of a southern Ontario city
17. Filing abbr.
23. Shoe width
25. Television __
27. Electric guitar, in slang
29. __ tock
30. Hair hues, sometimes
31. Siberian city
32. Madonna song
33. Skilled at gymnastics
36. Assess
38. Fetch, like a 'Golden' dog
40. Club __ (Tropical trips company)
43. __. Pepper (Beatles character)
45. "Constant Craving" singer ms. lang, et al.
49. Moscow's locale
50. TV award
52. Anesthetized
54. Canadian syrup
55. Saint __ Mountains (Range where Mount Vancouver is)
56. Hertz __ Car
57. Rush, office-style
58. Fancy bash
60. The Wizard __ __
64. Compass point

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
This will be a challenging Monday, because your home routine will be interrupted in some way. Small appliances might break down, or minor breakages could occur. It could be anything.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
This is an accident-prone day, which means you have to pay attention to everything you say and do. Guard against knee-jerk reactions. Don't be hasty.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Keep an eye on your money and cash flow, because you might find money; however, you also might lose money! In all cash transactions, check your bill and count your change.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Your mind is stimulated today, which is why you are intrigued by everything going on around you. But this also might be a nerve-racking day full of little surprises and upsets.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Today your energy is nervous and scattered. Don't worry, because this is a brief influence. Nevertheless, avoid work that requires concentration and attention to detail.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You might meet somebody new and unusual today. Or possibly, someone you know will do something that surprises you. It's an unpredictable day.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Relations with authority figures could go either way today. They might offer you something new and exciting, or they might say something that upsets you.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Travel plans will be canceled, delayed or rescheduled today. Likewise, schedules for higher education (technical schools, colleges and universities) will be changed as well.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Unexpected news that impacts shared property, taxes, debt or inheritances might catch you off guard today. Make sure you get your information right.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
A conversation with a partner or close friend will have a few surprises for you today. Or perhaps someone will say something that inspires you. It could be anything.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Computer crashes, power outages, cancelled meetings and staff shortages are just a few reasons why your work day will be different. But you also might have an exciting change!

Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
This is an accident-prone day for your kids, so be vigilant. Meanwhile, social engagements and sports events could be canceled or changed. Hmmm.

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

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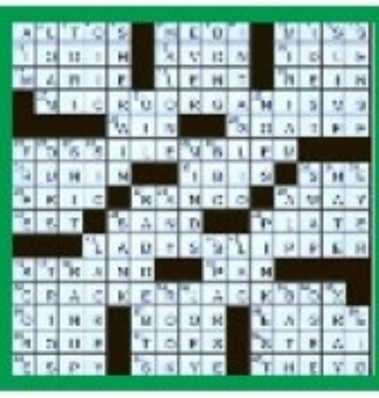

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